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SUBJECT: Mr. Paul Arsenault, Chair Six County  
Employment Alliance Marquette County Road 595

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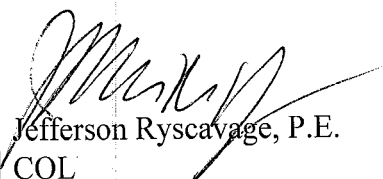
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WASHINGTON DC 20310-0108

Mr. Paul Arsenault  
Six County Employment Alliance  
2950 College Avenue  
Escanaba, Michigan 49829

Dear Mr. Arsenault:

This is in response to your letter dated April 23, 2012, regarding written comments dated March 23, 2012 from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Detroit District to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) concerning a permit application for proposed construction of County Road 595, in Marquette County, Michigan. I apologize for the delay in responding.

The Marquette County Road Commission applied to the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) for a permit to allow for discharges into waters of the United States to construct County Road 595. This permit application is currently under review by the MDEQ. The proposed project is located in an area where the state of Michigan has assumed responsibility for permit evaluations under the program transfer provisions of Section 404 of the Clean Water Act and a 2011 memorandum of agreement between the MDEQ and EPA. Under these provisions, for major actions, the Corps and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service act as supporting federal agencies to EPA, providing input to EPA upon EPA's request. EPA considers any comments received by the Corps and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service as it independently formulates the federal position.

In the case of this project, the EPA objected to issuance of a permit in a letter to MDEQ dated April 23, 2012. If the MDEQ does not resolve the federal objection and issues a permit under state statutes, the EPA returns the responsibility of project review under Section 404 to the Corps. If this occurs, the Corps will evaluate the proposed work by following established review procedures for permit applications.

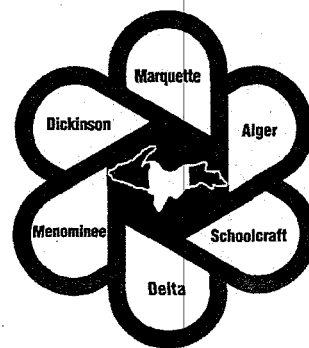
Thank you for your interest and concern with natural resource protection and economic activity in Michigan. Thank you for your interest in the Army Civil Works Program.

Very truly yours,

Jo-Ellen Darcy  
Assistant Secretary of the Army  
(Civil Works)

# *Six County Employment Alliance*

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April 23, 2012

The Honorable Jo-Ellen Darcy  
Assistant Secretary  
U.S. Army (Civil Works)  
108 Army Pentagon  
Washington, DC 20310-0108

The Honorable Susan Hedman  
Region 5 Administrator  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
77 West Jackson Blvd.  
Chicago, IL 60604

Dear Secretary Darcy and Administrator Hedman:

The Six County Employment Alliance, the local elected official board to our region's Workforce Investment Board, supports industry and workforce development efforts that significantly impact local employers and the economic growth of our region. For this reason, this Board, represented by Alger, Delta, Dickinson, Marquette, Menominee and Schoolcraft County Commissioners supports the development of County Road 595. We are attaching a copy of a resolution of support that this Board passed in reference to the County Road 595 project.

We are also writing to share concerns regarding comments made by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Regulatory Division of the Detroit District, to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in response to a Public Notice for the proposed Marquette County Road 595 project. These comments were submitted by the Army Corps pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act.

The CR road project has been proposed for Northern Marquette County to bring economic benefits to the area as well as to enhance public access and safety. This project is strongly supported by us and many other community leaders and is of great importance to our region.

The community is very sensitive to the environment and protection of our natural resource; our economy and quality of life depend upon strong protections. As all parties work to meet these important environmental standards, we ask that you work closely with the Road Commission and our community leaders to address our questions and concerns.

We appreciate your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

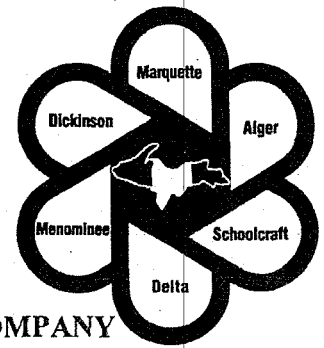
Paul Arsenault, Chair

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Washington, DC**



**RESOLUTION**  
**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING KENNECOTT EAGLE MINERALS COMPANY**  
**COUNTY ROAD 595 PROJECT**

*Whereas*, the Six County Employment Alliance supports industry and workforce development efforts that significantly impact local employers and the economic growth of our region, and therefore supports the mining industry and operations in the Central Upper Peninsula; and,

*Acknowledging that*, the County Road 595 Project is part of the Kennecott Eagle Mineral Company's plan to develop transportation routes for the proposed Eagle Nickel Mine and that this project follows Marquette Township's Master Plan for limiting truck traffic into the busy corridor of city of Marquette; and

*Acknowledging that* the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Environment is the primary regulatory responsible for permitting the road; and

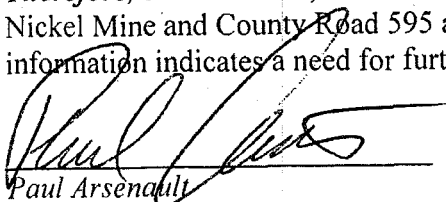
*Acknowledging that*, the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Environment's Quality's rule-making processes are part of their mission for protecting the environment; and,

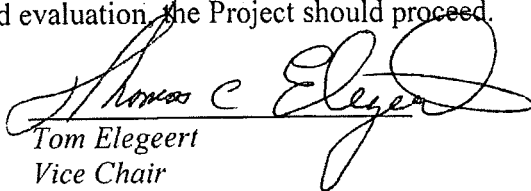
*Whereas*, the City of Marquette and Marquette Township are supporting the County Road 595 Project; and,

*Whereas*, the County Road 595 Project will be a multi-purpose road that is open to public use to serve as the primary route for transporting equipment and ore; enable logging company access for timber harvest and land management; serve as a transportation route for suppliers and producers of aggregate products and rocks; provide access routes for emergency services; and enable public access to recreational lands; and,

*Whereas*, future economic development for Marquette County is dependent on the Kennecott Eagle Minerals project; and,

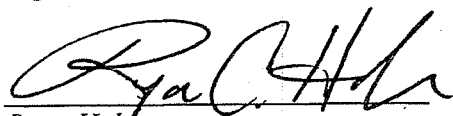
*Therefore, be it resolved*, that the Six County Employment Alliance supports the Eagle Nickel Mine and County Road 595 and believes that unless new or additional credible information indicates a need for further review and evaluation, the Project should proceed.

  
Paul Arsenault  
Chair  
Marquette County

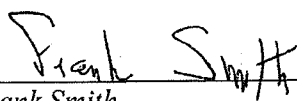
  
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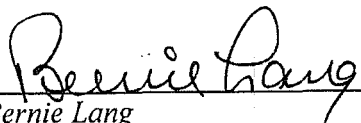
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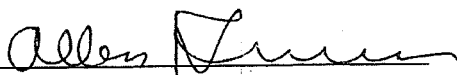
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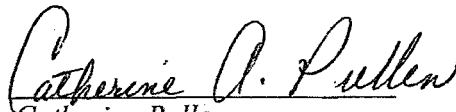
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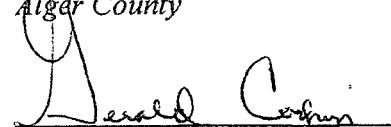
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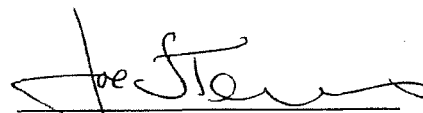
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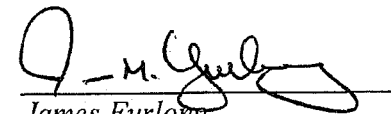
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